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**PATENT****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant:	Matthew A. Stillerman; Dexter Kozen; Thomas J. Merritt	Confirmation No.	9058
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Title:	<b>ACTIVE VERIFICATION OF BOOT FIRMWARE</b>		

**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 11, 2008, the period of response for which has been extended to run through June 11, 2008, please amend the application as follows.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 17 of this paper.

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